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ABSTRACT

A method of establishing a third party call can include, responsive to a call initiated by a third party to a directory number of a called party, determining that the called party is engaged in an existing telephone call with one or more parties. The telephone call can be processed in a telephony application, wherein the telephony application can determine whether the third party has authority to join the existing call with the called party. If so, the third party can be connected with the existing call.

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